

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
MISSOULA DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN CICERO HUGHES,

Defendant.

CR 18–38–M–DLC

ORDER

United States Magistrate Judge Jeremiah C. Lynch entered Findings and Recommendation in this matter on December 12, 2018. Neither party objected and therefore they are not entitled to *de novo* review of the record. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); *United States v. Reyna-Tapia*, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003). This Court will review the Findings and Recommendation for clear error. *McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Bus. Mach., Inc.*, 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981). Clear error exists if the Court is left with a “definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed.” *United States v. Syrax*, 235 F.3d 422, 427 (9th Cir. 2000).

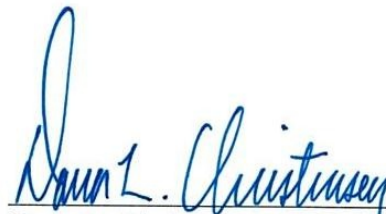
Judge Lynch recommended this Court accept John Cicero Hughes’ guilty plea after Hughes appeared before him pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11, and entered a plea of guilty to one count of theft of government

money in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 641 (Count I), and one count of social security disability insurance fraud in violation of 42 U.S.C. § 408(a)(4) (Count II), as set forth in the Superseding Information. In exchange for Defendant's plea, the United States has agreed to dismiss the Indictment.

I find no clear error in Judge Lynch's Findings and Recommendation (Doc. 32), and I adopt them in full, including the recommendation to defer acceptance of the Plea Agreement until sentencing when the Court will have reviewed the Plea Agreement and Presentence Investigation Report.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that John Cicero Hughes' motion to change plea (Doc. 22) is GRANTED and John Cicero Hughes is adjudged guilty as charged in Counts I and II of the Superseding Information.

DATED this 3rd day of January, 2019.



Dana L. Christensen, Chief District Judge
United States District Court